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(Sprint Docket No. 1781)

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In re the Application of:

Ronald LEWIS

Serial No. 10/033,289

Filed: December 27, 2001

**For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
ADVERTISING SUPPORTED
COMMUNICATIONS**

Examiner: Olisa Anwah

Group Art Unit: 2645

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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Dear Sir:

On January 14, 2003, Applicant filed a response to the first non-final office action in this patent application. Since then, Applicant has not received any correspondence in this application from the Patent Office. However, on October 17, 2003, the Examiner called Applicant's representative to inform Applicant that the Office mailed a second non-final office action on April 11, 2003.

Because over 6 months have passed since the date that the Office mailed the second non-final office action, Applicant understands that the Office considers this application to be held abandoned. Since Applicant never received the office action, however, Applicant requests that the Office withdraw the holding of abandonment.

In support of this request, the undersigned states as follows:

1. I did not receive the office action mailed April 11, 2003.
2. A search of the file jacket and docket records for this case indicates that Applicant never received the office action mailed April 11, 2003.
3. Attached is a report printed from our patent docketing system, showing all replies docketed for a date three months from April 11, 2003, i.e., for July 11, 2003. If Applicant had received the office action mailed April 11, 2003, a reply date for the office action would have been listed in this docketing report. The absence of a July 11, 2003 reply date for this case in the docketing report is proof that Applicant did not receive the office action.

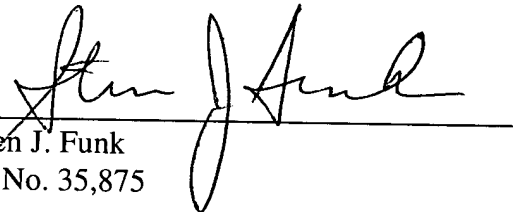
Respectfully submitted,

SPRINT SPECTRUM L.P.

Dated: October 22, 2003

By: _____

Steven J. Funk
Reg. No. 35,875

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steven J. Funk', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with a large 'S' and 'F'.